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Portable Drilling Water Filter With Self-Cleaning System

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant respectfully requests that the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449, be made of record and considered in connection with the examination of this application. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed. A translation of the foreign language document(s) is not readily available.

These documents are discussed in the preamble of the above-referenced application.

<u>DE 197 23 798 A-1</u> discloses a back-flushable filter having a housing with inlet (26) and outlet (28) at opposite sides of the housing, with a filter element (36) arranged between the inlet and the outlet. The filter element (36) includes a brush (41) with inwardly oriented bristles and wound about filter cylinder.

DE 201 10 244 U1 discloses a precipitation trough.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) in the amount of \$180 and any further fees, which may be required to our Deposit Account No. 50-0955.

Respectfully submitted,

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